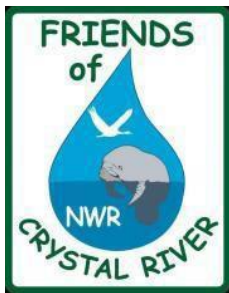


The Friends of Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge Complex, Inc.  
**Nature Coast Lecture Series**



**Crystal River Coastal Region Library**  
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Tuesday, May 12, 2020  
5:30 - 6:45 p.m.

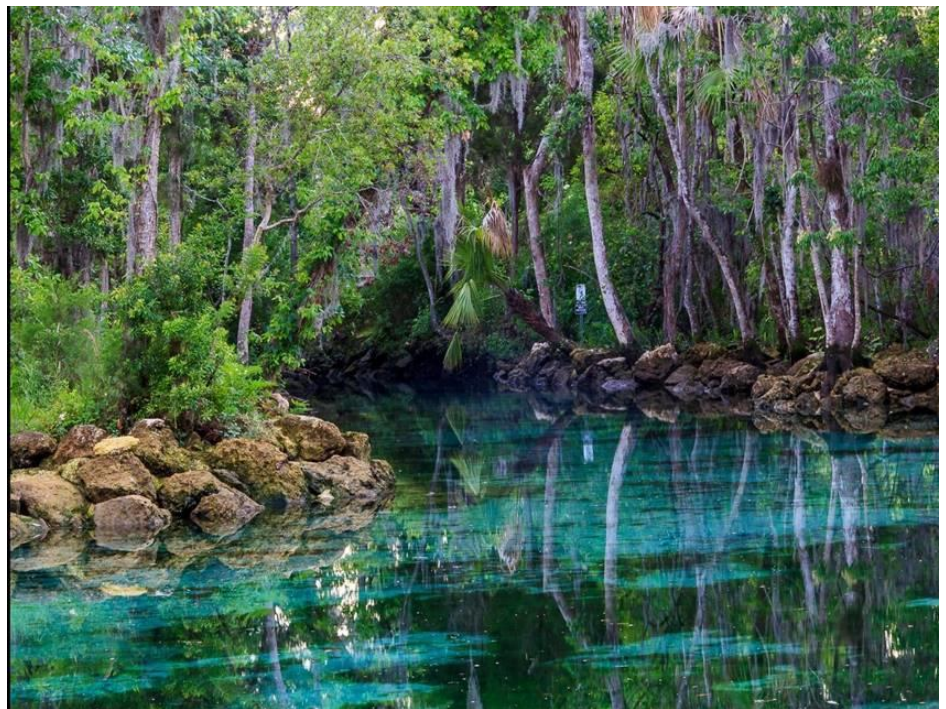
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**THREE SISTERS SPRINGS: PARTNERS IN ACTION!**

**Dr. Chris Anastasiou, Scientist, Southwest Florida Water Management District**

Three Sisters Springs is an international success story showcasing how local, regional, and federal partnerships can unite to save and improve a national treasure. Through the tireless efforts of the Friends of the Crystal River NWR, TSS was placed in public ownership in 2010 thereby saving the property from commercial development. Since then, progress has been made to improve not only the TSS



property but also to help improve the water quality of Kings Bay. Join us as we take a virtual tour through time to explore the natural history of the springs, some of the projects recently completed, and what the future may hold for this most amazing place.



Dr. Chris Anastasiou is the Water Quality and Natural Systems Chief Advisory Scientist for the Southwest Florida Water Management District. Dr. Anastasiou received his Ph.D. in Oceanography from the University of South Florida's College of Marine Science. He has over 20 years of experience working in both marine and freshwater ecosystems throughout Florida and Louisiana. Dr. Anastasiou is also a Lieutenant Commander in the United States Navy Reserve serving as a meteorology and oceanography officer at NASA's Stennis Space Center in Mississippi.